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Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified application are the following enclosures:

- (X) Amendment and Response to Office Action in 14 pages.
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- (X) The present application qualifies for small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 28, 2003, please amend the above-identified patent application as set forth below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

A 37 C.F.R. §1.132 Declaration from James Komorowski, Vice President of Technical Services and Scientific Affairs at Nutrition 21, Inc., the assignee of the above-mentioned application, is submitted herewith. This Declaration was not submitted earlier because the study results were only made available within the last several months.

Exhibit B, a press release relating to a pilot study performed by researchers at State University of New York (SUNY), Stony Brook and funded by the National Institutes of Health (NIH), wherein the role of chromium in treating PCOS was explored is also submitted herewith for the PTO's consideration.